

1990.62597



PATENT

SC
48C
9/11/03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Patent Application)
Applicant: Utsumi et al.)
Serial No.: 09/159,833)
Filed: September 24, 1998)
For: STORING APPARATUS AND)
AND PASSWORD CONTROL)
METHOD)
Art Unit: 2131)
Examiner: Jackson, Jenise E.)

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

8/21/2003

Date
F-CLASS.WCM

Appr. February 20, 1998

Jan K. Jan
Registration No. 37,538

Attorney for Applicant

RECEIVED

AUG 28 2003

Technology Center 2100

AMENDMENT C

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed May 21, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Patent Application

Applicant: Utsumi et al.

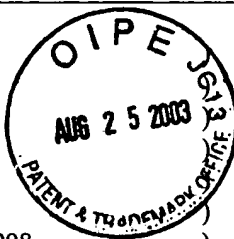
Serial No.: 09/159,833

Filed: September 24, 1998

For: STORING APPARATUS AND
AND PASSWORD CONTROL
METHOD

Art Unit: 2131

Examiner: Jackson, Jenise E.



I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

8/24/2003

Date
F-CLASS.WCM

Appr. February 20, 1998

Registration No. 37,538

Attorney for Applicant

RECEIVED

AUG 28 2003

Technology Center 2100

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	21	27	x	\$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	2	3	x	\$84.00	\$
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$280.00	\$
Total Additional Fee					\$ 0
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)					\$

(X) Amendment C.

(X) Submission of Verified Translation of JP 62-9471.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

300 South Wacker Drive -Suite 2500
Chicago, Illinois 60606
Telephone: (312) 360-0080
Facsimile: (312) 360-9315
Customer Number 24978

F:\Data\Wp60\Kmw\FORMS\AMETML.DOC

GREER, BURNS & CRAIN, LTD.

By:

James K. Folker

Registration No. 37,538